

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 3, 5, 9, 15, 18, 19, and 20 as follows:

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1.(Currently Amended) A garage door bottom seal retainer for securing a seal to a bottom surface of a garage door, the retainer comprising:

an exterior tension member [operable] having an exterior bend adapted to allow the exterior tension member to mate with and to apply tension to the bottom surface of the garage door;

an interior tension member [operable] having an interior bend spaced from the exterior bend and adapted to allow the interior tension member to mate with and to apply tension to the bottom surface of the garage door in an opposite direction of the exterior tension member, thereby [securing] adapted to secure the retainer to the bottom surface of the garage door; and

a seal cavity between the tension members and the bends [operable] adapted to slidably receive and to support the seal.

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3.(Currently Amended) The garage door bottom seal retainer as set forth in claim 1, the exterior tension member including an exterior gripping edge at an end of the tension member distal to the seal, wherein the gripping edge is adapted to [which] seat[s] upon a shelf of the bottom surface of the garage door.

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5.(Currently Amended) The garage door bottom seal retainer as set forth in claim 1, the interior tension member including an interior gripping edge at an end of the tension member distal to the seal, wherein the gripping edge is adapted to [which] seat[s] upon a shelf of the bottom surface of the garage door.

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9.(Currently Amended) A garage door bottom seal retainer for securing a seal to a bottom surface of a garage door, the retainer comprising:

an exterior tension member [operable] running substantially the entire length of the retainer and having an exterior bend adapted to allow the exterior tension member to mate with and to apply tension to the bottom surface of the garage door;

an exterior gripping edge [on the exterior tension member] at an end of the exterior tension member distal to the seal, wherein the exterior gripping edge is adapted to seat[s] upon an exterior shelf of the bottom surface of the garage door;

an interior tension member [operable] running substantially the entire length of the retainer and having an interior bend spaced from the exterior bend and adapted to allow the interior tension member to mate with and to apply tension to the bottom surface of the garage door in an opposite direction of the exterior tension member, thereby [securing] adapted to secure the retainer to the bottom surface of the garage door;

an interior gripping edge [on the interior tension member] at an end of the interior tension member distal to the seal, wherein the interior gripping edge is adapted to seat[s] upon an interior shelf of the bottom surface of the garage door; and

a seal cavity between the tension members and the bends [operable] adapted to slidably receive and to support a seal.

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15. (Currently Amended) A garage door bottom seal retainer approximately eight feet
long for securing a seal to a bottom surface of a garage door, the retainer comprising:

an exterior tension member [operable] having an exterior bend adapted to allow the
exterior tension member to mate with and to apply tension to the bottom
surface of the garage door, wherein the tension member extends
approximately one-half inch beyond the bend;

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an exterior gripping edge running the entire length of the exterior tension
member[,] extending approximately one-fourth inch beyond an end of the
tension member distal to the seal, wherein the exterior gripping edge is
adapted to seat[s] upon an exterior shelf of the bottom surface of the garage
door;

an interior tension member [operable] having an interior bend spaced from the
exterior bend, wherein the interior tension member extends approximately
one-half inch beyond the interior bend and the interior bend is adapted to
allow the interior tension member to mate with and to apply tension to the
bottom surface of the garage door in an opposite direction of the exterior
tension member, thereby [securing] adapted to secure the retainer to the
bottom surface of the garage door;

an interior gripping edge running the entire length of the interior tension
member[,] extending approximately one-fourth inch beyond an end of the
tension member distal to the seal, wherein the interior gripping edge is
adapted to seat[s] upon an interior shelf of the bottom surface of the garage
door; and

a seal cavity approximately one-fourth inch high and one-fourth inch wide, the cavity
located between the tension members and the bends and offset toward the

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exterior tension member, wherein the cavity is [operable] adapted to slidably
recieve and to support a seal.

18.(Currently Amended) A garage door comprising:

a plurality of articulating panels, one of the panels having a bottom surface

including -

an exterior lip extending downwardly from the bottom surface, and

an interior lip extending downwardly from the bottom surface;

a seal retainer attached to the bottom surface, the retainer comprising,

an exterior tension member [operable] having an exterior bend adapted to

allow the exterior tension member to mate with and to apply tension

to the exterior lip of the bottom surface,

an interior tension member [operable] having an interior bend spaced from

the exterior bend and adapted to allow the interior tension member to

mate with and to apply tension to the interior lip of the bottom surface

in an opposite direction of the exterior tension member, thereby

securing the retainer to the bottom surface of the garage door, and

a seal cavity between the tension members and the bends; and

a seal attached to the retainer, the seal comprising,

a cylindrical cushion for sealing the door to a floor, and

a retaining member [operable] adapted to be slid down the seal cavity,

thereby mating the seal to the retainer.

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19.(Currently Amended) The garage door as set forth in claim 18, the exterior tension member including an exterior gripping edge at an end of the tension member distal to the seal, wherein the gripping edge is adapted to [which] seat[s] upon a shelf of the exterior lip.

20.(Currently Amended) The garage door as set forth in claim 18, the interior tension member including an interior gripping edge at an end of the tension member distal to the seal, wherein the gripping edge is adapted to [which] seat[s] upon a shelf of the interior lip.